

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Sunday 05 Dec 2021 until 23:59 on Monday 06 Dec 2021

Forecast Issued on Saturday 04 Dec 2021 at 12:07 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for brief window of drier weather on Sunday with lighter winds by afternoon. More changeable, cold and often windy in the hills next week.

Headline for Sunday 05 Dec 2021: Mostly dry with some sunshine. Bitterly cold, windy on the tops at first.

Mountain weather hazards on Sunday 05 Dec 2021

Blizzards

No Likelihood

Heavy Snow

No Likelihood

Storm force winds

No Likelihood

Gales

High Likelihood

Severe chill effect

High Likelihood

Poor visibility

Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms

No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain

No Likelihood

Strong sunlight

Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
							
Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)	Cloudy	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability							
10%	10%	20%	20%	20%	10%	<05%	<05%

Forecast for Sunday 05 Dec 2021

Weather: Rather cloudy in north of area overnight and on Sunday morning with a few snow showers, especially over northern Cairngorms. Drier and bright during the day towards Creag Meagaidh and Ben Alder area with some sunshine.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 50% in north of area, 80% in south.

Visibility: Very good beneath the cloud which will be extensive at times on north of area at about 700 to 800m. Brief interruptions to very poor visibility as snow showers pass by.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	46/60 N	45/58 N	39/50 N	26/35 N	18/25 N	10/13 N	11/13 SE	23/29 S	34/45 S
900	35/44 N	30/38 N	26/34 N	16/20 NE	12/15 W	6/9 W	5/6 E	20/25 S	38/49 S
600	20/28 N	14/21 N	13/19 N	10/15 W	7/10 W	5/7 SW	4/6 SW	8/12 S	24/36 S
300	11/27 N	8/22 N	7/20 N	3/9 W	4/9 NE	2/5 S	3/5 S	3/6 S	7/19 S
Glen	7/27 NW	6/27 NW	7/26 NW	5/17 NW	5/15 NW	4/10 W	3/5 SW	3/13 S	5/22 S

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-6/-18	-7/-19	-6/-18	-5/-14	-5/-12	-5/-11	-6/-12	-6/-15	-6/-16
900	-3/-13	-3/-12	-3/-12	-2/-9	-2/-7	-2/-6	-3/-6	-2/-9	-2/-11
600	-1/-8	-1/-7	-1/-6	-1/-5	-0/-4	-1/-4	-1/-4	-2/-6	-0/-7
300	1/-4	1/-3	1/-2	1/-1	2/-1	1/-0	-0/-2	-2/-4	0/-4
Glen	2/-3	2/-3	2/-3	1/-2	2/-1	2/0	-1/-2	-0/-3	1/-3
Freezing Level*	300m	300m	300m	500m	600m	600m	500m	400m	500m

*Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Bitterly cold, windy start to Sunday. Much lighter winds by afternoon.

Forecast for Monday 06 Dec 2021

Weather: Cloudy at first with outbreaks of snow, gradually clearing away to the east. Drier, brighter weather will follow from west to all ranges later in the morning, then scattered sleet and snow showers in afternoon, mainly in west of area.

Maximum wind: Strengthening westerly winds, average speeds 15mph increasing 30mph by afternoon with gusts 45mph over the tops.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Chances improving from nil at first to 70% by midday.

Visibility: Very poor during the first part of the morning with clouds well down the hills. The visibility will improve good from the west later in the morning with clouds lifting and breaking up. Patches of very poor visibility in afternoon and evening in association with passing wintry showers with cloud bases lowering to 600m.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 2 Celsius rising to plus 5 Celsius.
At 800m: Minus 2 Celsius
Freezing level: 600m.